



Meeting Minutes

9/3/2025

Via Zoom and In-Person

Meeting was called to order by President Brown 10:00 a.m. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Correction - Brandi Barraza did attend last month meeting via zoom.

Senators Present:	Bart Brow, Susan Villines, Bobbie Dodson, Dori Grinie, Kathy Sorells, Sean Souders, Josh Baca, Izzy Matthes, Maggie Calloway, Jenny Castanon, Dean Foster, Samantha Johnson,
Proxy:	Maggie Calloway for BreAnne Springer, Josh Baca
Absent:	Linda Brown - resigned

Approval of Minutes by President Bart Brown for Regular Staff Senate meeting: The minutes were reviewed and approved. Motioned to approve by Susan Villines, and seconded by Dori Grinie, motion passed.

Approval of Agenda for August 6,2025 by Bre Anne Springer: Moved to approve the new agenda by Bobbi Dodson, the agenda was seconded by Bryan Izzy Matthes, motion passed.

President’s Report: Bart Brown

- **Semester Kickoff**
 - I want to thank everyone for the energy, commitment, and care you’ve shown in welcoming our students back to campus. Your efforts whether what it is makes a difference in ensuring WNMU continues to thrive.
- **Celebrating Mustang Success**
 - Congratulations to our Mustang Football team on their home win! Victories like this build momentum and spirt, reminding us of the pride we all share in being part of the Mustang community.
- **Supporting Our Athletes**
 - This Friday and Saturday, I encourage everyone to come out and support Mustang Volleyball. Our student athletes give their best on the court, and your presence in the stands makes a huge impact.
- **Looking Ahead**
 - As the semester continues, let’s keep building on this positive start. Together, we can foster an environment of encouragement and community that uplifts both our students and our colleagues.

Vice President’s Report: Dori Grinie

- Welcome back. I know this year has had some challenges but I feel like we are turning a corner. I want to say to everyone, thank you, you’re all doing great. Let’s also remember to be kind to one another. If we keep listening, learning, and working toward solutions together, even when we disagree, we’ll keep making progress.

Treasurer's report: Susan Villines

Supplies & Expenses:	\$600.00
Travel:	\$600.00
Staff Recognition:	\$1,1738.00
Staff Development:	\$406.60

Recognition – Employee of the Month: BreAnne Springer –

Dorian Carrasco from Athletics was recognized as the August 2025 Employee of the Month.

Committee Reports:

Salary, Benefits, & Classification (Senator Johnson and Brown):	They met in August, still looking for members to join committee. Will meet with HR to get some clarity on leave. They are looking for a vendor to help with hiring of Mauror 's position in HR
Rules & Ethics (Senators Foster, Calloway and Barraza):	They are still looking over the bylaws to do some revising.
Career Development and Training (Senators Grinie & Baca):	No report.
Elections (Senators Souders, Matthes and Brown):	No report – Linda Brown resigned her position as Senator.
Staff Handbook (Senators Dodson and Sorells):	Met and reviewed changes that need to be in the handbook. One change will be salary and benefits and HR handbook
Assessment (Senators Sorells & Foster):	Will meet tomorrow.
Rewards & Recognition (Senators Springer, Villines and Castanon):	Will meet this Friday.
ADHOC: Web Presence Team (Senators Dodson & Grinie):	Met and decided they will partner with Rewards and Recognition for support. Bobbi would like to purpose a working session.
ADHOC: Department Highlights (Senator Lee and	No report.
ADHOC: School Spirit Committee: (Senators Springer and Baca):	Working on strategies on getting donations. Will continue to brain storm.

Old Business: Voting

- A. None

New Business:

- A. Discussion of adding Food Security Committee to WNMU Staff Senate – See attached

- There was lots of discussion on this topic. Will add as an action item next meet.
- Will discussion and motion next meeting.

B. Other

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Announcements and Open Forum:

- A. Monday will kick off nominations for Presidential Award. Keep a look out for the email.
- B. There is a parttime position open at Miller Library.
- C. All mandatory training has begun for all staff. Deadline is September 30th.
- D. HR department is still working on students paper work.

Next Meeting: Staff Senate: October 1st @ 10am in the Seminar Room/ Zoom available (5755386317).
Staff General Assembly, October 8th @ 10am in the Miller Library/Zoom available.

Adjournment: moved to adjourn 10:29am by Senator Barraza, seconded by Secretary Villines, and the motion passed.